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## **Board Meeting**

**June 6, 2016**

**Location: PRA Headquarters**

## **Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting called to order by Chair Robert Nero at 6:20 pm with 10 members and one associate member present, after a tour of the finished utility trailer (shelving has been installed).**

**Members Present: Robert Nero, Chair; Charles Horbert, Secretary; Jack Donovan, James Sullivan, Paul Lockett, Michael Bedard, Jim Johnson, Mike Maddalena, Brian Manning & Stan Brittsan.**

**Associate Member: Ross Adrain**

**The agenda was approved by the membership (motion made by Mr. Donovan, seconded by Mr. Bedard).**

**Motion made by Mr. Bedard, seconded by Mr. Lockett to accept the minutes of the May 2, 2016 meeting. Approved unanimously.**

**Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report for May 2016 was tabled. Mr. Nero explained that we are holding off on some expenditures due to the terms of the line-of-credit loan which requires the PRAWC to maintain a balance of at least \$40,000.**

**Family Fishing Derby: The 2nd Annual "Bait the Hook" Family Fishing Derby will be held on June 25th at 8:00 at the Arnold Road access to Lake Tiogue. The Town is going to get refreshments donated. DEM staff will be present to do fishing demonstrations and instruction. Members should be there by 7:00 or 7:30 to set up the tent, easel, ladders, tables etc. An event will be posted on the PRAWC Facebook page. The Town has distributed flyers. No way to know what the turn-out might be.**

#### **Reports:**

**Cranberry & Blackamore Ponds: ESS is moving along and making progress on this project.**

**Randall Pond Project: Our contractor, SumCo Environmental Restoration, will be starting this week on this project.**

**Pontiac Canoe Launch Repairs/Status: The Application for Regulatory**

**Applicability was returned by RIDEM with a determination that a permit is required for the proposed work on this access. ESS is now preparing a Request for Preliminary Determination to submit to RIDEM. The contractor has been kept advised.**

**Veteran's Square: This is being well-maintained by West Warwick members.**

**Spring Cleanups: We had several good cleanups in April. Mr. Nero would like to do a few more maintenance projects in the future.**

**New business:**

- We're closing on a line of credit with Centerville Bank on June 7th.**
- Jim Sullivan announced that he will be moving from Coventry to West Warwick and will have to step down from the Board when that happens. He will pursue being appointed by the Town of West Warwick.**
- Another cleanup is scheduled for Wednesday June 28th at Pocasset Cemetery, at the entrance to Dyer Avenue.**
- Next month's meeting will be on July 11th due to the July 4th holiday. General Elections will take place. Mr. Johnson was asked to**

**follow up and pursue nominations for officers.**

- **On Wednesday, July 13th, the RI Rivers Council will hold their monthly meeting at the offices of the PRAWC.**

- **We are pursuing a grant from DEM to purchase a brush hog; estimated cost of \$3600, applying for a grant of \$3000.**

- **Two new members have been appointed: Jennifer Ryan from Warwick, and Carl Santucci from Cranston.**

**Motion was made to adjourn by Mr. Horbert, seconded by Mr. Donovan; motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.**

**Next Meeting: Monday July 11, 2016**